

# Games This Week Give Fans Line on Ability of Amateur Championship Contenders

## TEAMS' REAL ABILITY WILL BE REVEALED

Amateurs to Play Many Good Games for Title This Week

In Post-Season Series—Schedule of Sections—Gossip of Players and Teams.

### Post-Season Series

#### SECTION A.

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Ninth (Sunday School League) .....	0	0	.000
Petworth (Suburban League) .....	0	0	.000
Commissioners (Departmental League) .....	0	1	.000

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American Security (Bankers' League) .....	1	0	1.000
Washington Herald (Commercial League) .....	0	0	.000
Adams (Railway League) .....	0	0	.000
Twining (Independence League) .....	0	0	.000
Columbia 101 (Marquette League) .....	0	1	.000

#### Games Today.

Suburban vs. Sunday School, at First and M northeast. Mr. Betts umpire.  
Independence vs. Marquette, at Lincoln and Rhode Island avenues northeast. Mr. Hughes, umpire.  
Bankers vs. Railway Y. M. C. A., at north diamond, Ellipse. Mr. Brown, umpire.

After today's games the fans who follow the amateurs will have a chance to begin to figure on the dope. The two teams which meet in section A, namely, Ninth and Petworth, should afford an opportunity for close comparison, as the teams are supposedly on a par. In section B the American Security will play Adams, which will enable many to make more direct comparison. The Bankers were able to easily defeat the Columbia 101 team, fattening batting averages with alarming ease. Herald and Adams played to a tie on Saturday. Twining, which won the right to represent the Independence League in the post season series Saturday, will play some idea of the strength of the American Security team can be gained from the result. In the American Security Adams came today the relative strength of Herald can be gained in the same way. At the conclusion of today's games in section B, all teams will have played and a general idea can be gleaned from the performances.

The Petworth-Ninth game today will be played at the Capital City Park, beginning at 5 o'clock. President Bogdanov has given instructions that the games are to start promptly, so that as many innings as possible may be played before dark. This in itself is an excellent idea, and all managers should see that their teams are in readiness to go on the field at the appointed time. If all games are started on time, the whole nine innings can be played before dark. Those who follow the Philadelphia Inquirer post-season series know that things are pulled off as per schedule, and there is no reason why Washington amateurs cannot come to time.

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August 23, Capital City vs. Suburban; August 24, Departmental vs. Sunday School; August 25, Capital City vs. Sunday School; August 26, Departmental vs. Suburban; August 27, Capital City vs. Sunday School.

It seems that Manager Cornell did not need re-enforcements to trim the Commissioners. The report had it that he was rounding up a bunch of players from the highways and byways and was present about the best aggregation of ball players that the sandhogs have ever seen together. As some one put it, he didn't need the "Goldboro Goldbribs" to put it on the Commissioners. Taking everything into consideration, Manager Cornell's teams have been fine teams year in and year out, and he has without doubt the call on the cream of the game. And what is more, delivers the goods. There is perhaps less discussion on the Cornell team than on any other, and they all work together for a common cause.

The Commissioners have not made any excuses for the loss of Saturday's game. Dick Robertson manfully asked to go in again against Cornell, and said that he would tame the "Tigers," as they are called.  
"There are many who missed 'Pop' Harding's genial face and fighting spirit in the Commissioners' line-up on Saturday. 'Pop' is on his leave in Maryland, where he is keeping in shape playing with a town team. He will be among those present in a short while, Harding has been a member of the Departmental League, and is generally present and doing his share of the good work. It is a safe thing to say that had the Commissioners' line-up shown the ginger that Harding has at all times they would have a better team."

Yesterday's accident to Smithson, of Washington Herald, will seriously handicap the team. Smithson played in five games this season and batted .333. He is as consistent a player, and would have done good work in the post-season series. On Saturday he got a good start, getting one double out of three trips to the plate. He fielded without an error. It is said that the Washington Herald team will ask the consent of the other managers in Section B if it may borrow a second baseman. If the managers agree the Amateur Commission will be asked to favor the request.

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